

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-40 and add new claims 41-55, as shown in the following listing of claims. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-40. (Canceled)

41. (New) A brake release for a motor chain saw, the brake release comprising a brake release handle having a front wall, a rear wall and a light source, wherein the light source is secured within the brake release handle and is adapted to emanate from the front wall.

42. (New) The brake release of claim 41, wherein the front wall comprises a translucent material.

43. (New) The brake release of Claim 42, wherein the front wall comprises a cover reversibly attached to the brake release handle.

44. (New) The brake release of Claim 42, wherein the translucent material is plastic.

45. (New) The brake release of Claim 42, wherein the translucent material is plexiglass.

46. (New) The brake release of Claim 42, wherein the translucent material is glass.

47. (New) The brake release of Claim 41, wherein the light source is affixed to a plate secured within the brake release handle.

48. (New) The brake release of Claim 47, wherein the plate is attached to an interior surface of the rear wall.

49. (New) The brake release of Claim 41, further comprising a power source for supplying electricity to the light source.

50. (New) The brake release of Claim 49, wherein the power source is located within the brake release handle.

51. (New) The brake release of Claim 49, wherein the power source comprises at least one battery.

52. (New) The brake release of Claim 41, wherein the light source comprises a light emitting diode.

53. (New) The brake release of Claim 52, wherein the light source comprises two or more light emitting diodes.

54. (New) The brake release of Claim 41, wherein the brake release handle further comprises a switch for activating the light source.

55. (New) The brake release of Claim 54, wherein the switch is located in the rear wall.